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1. Applicants' amendment filed 8/22/2011 has been fully considered; however, the amendment has not been entered given that it raises other new issues that would require further consideration and/or search. Specifically, Applicant has amended the scope of claim 1, so that the range is 10 to 40 instead of 5 to 40. This range had not been presented previously and would require further consideration and search.
2. It is the examiner's position that the further consideration and/or search would result in the claims remaining rejected. It is well known in the art to use a metal hydroxide, such as aluminum hydroxide, as a flame retardant. Addition of more flame retardant material results in increased flame retardancy in the product in which the flame retardant is used. Addition of less flame retardant would provide a product with better structural properties.
3. Applicant's response filed 8/22/2011 has been fully considered but is not persuasive.
4. Since the amendment is not being entered for the reason given above, those arguments by the Applicant that concern the proposed amendment are rendered moot and thus need not be addressed. It appears that all the arguments are directed to the proposed amendment.

Conclusion

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